

Reimagine Washtenaw CIA

- Project initiated in 2008 with land use and transportation data collection
- Highest density in the entire county
- Highest transit ridership in the County for more than 30 years – carries more than 3,000 daily and 800,000 annually between Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor
- Lacking sidewalks and bike paths along corridor
- Largest blocks of abandoned or under developed land with existing infrastructure in the county
- Worked together to develop an improvement Strategy that includes planning, zoning, and transportation changes
- All four communities – Ann Arbor City, Pittsfield Township, Ypsilanti Township and Ypsilanti City have passed the resolution of intent to form a CIA

Benefits of Corridor Improvement Authority (CIA) Changes

- Current legislation does not allow four different communities to form one CIA – requires four community CIA's and a fifth to coordinate them – requires five bureaucracies for the Communities to work together
- Provides opportunity to make investments that support the communities vision for walkable, transit oriented corridor that is less congested
- Allows rehabilitation and renovation to this mixed-use commercial transportation corridor that serves both Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti cities and provides access to Eastern Michigan University, Washtenaw Community College, and University of Michigan
- Can provide match for federal improvement funds
- Coordinated effort though one CIA provides a more competitive grant application